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TO: Members of the MAG Building Codes Committee

FROM: Leon Manuel, City of El Mirage, Chairman

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Wednesday, August 15, 2001, 2001 - 2:00 p.m.  
MAG Office, Suite 200, Saguaro Room  
302 North 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, Phoenix

A meeting of the MAG Building Codes Committee has been scheduled for the time and place noted above.

Members of the MAG Building Codes Committee may attend **either in person or by telephone conference call**. Those attending by telephone conference call are requested to call 602-261-7510 between 1:55 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. After prompting, please enter the meeting ID number 28453 (build) on your telephone key pad followed by the pound key. If you have a problem or require assistance, dial 0 after calling the number above.

Please park in the garage under the Compass Bank Building. Bring your ticket to the meeting, parking will be validated. For those using transit, the Regional Public Transportation Authority will provide transit tickets for your trip. For those using bicycles, please lock your bicycle in the bike rack in the garage.

Please be advised that under procedures approved by the MAG Regional Council on June 26, 1996, all MAG committees need to have a quorum to conduct business. A quorum is a simple majority of the membership, or 13 people for the MAG Building Codes Committee. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please make arrangements for a proxy from your jurisdiction to represent you.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at (602) 438-2200 or Harry Wolfe at (602) 254-6300.

#### TENTATIVE AGENDA

1. Call to Order

2. Approval of May 16, 2001 Meeting Minutes

#### COMMITTEE ACTION REQUESTED

2. Review and approve meeting minutes of May 16, 2001.

3. Call to the Public

An opportunity will be provided to members of the public and Committee to address the Building Codes Committee for items that are not included on the agenda.

4. Status Report on Use of Regional Videoconferencing System For Future MAG Building Codes Committee Meetings

In February 2001, MAG contracted with Norstan Communications, Inc. to implement a Regional Videoconferencing System (RVS) and provide three years of system service and support. Implementation is nearing completion with videoconferencing equipment installed at 28 sites, training conducted at 21 sites and approximately 30 site coordinators trained to use the equipment. MAG member agencies are encouraged to use the RVS for participating in MAG advisory committee meetings and/or for transacting other business. MAG staff will demonstrate and explain the benefits of using the RVS at the Building Codes Committee meeting. Please refer to Attachment One.

5. Status Report on the MAG Building Inspectors/Plans Examiners Forum and the Permit Technicians Forum

Officers of the MAG Building Inspectors/Plans Examiners Forum and the Permit Technicians Forum will be in attendance to discuss accomplishments during the past year and anticipated objectives for the balance of the year. Input will also be solicited on how the MAG Building Codes Committee can lend support to the forums.

6. Update on Adoption of the 2000 Codes

A status report and discussion will take place regarding, the efforts of a working group of the Arizona Building Officials (AZBO) towards, the adoption of the proposed MAG 2000 International Building Code, the 2000 International Residential Code, the 2000 International Mechanical Code. Adoption of the 2000 International Codes by January 2002

3. For information and discussion.

4. For information, discussion and possible recommendation.

5. For information, discussion and possible action.

6. For information, discussion and possible action.

reflect the efforts of MAG members to maintain uniformity throughout the valley and to adopt the latest available codes.

7. Status Report on Initiatives on Establishing a Common Permitting Process

On June 6, 2001, the Universal Permit Application Subgroup of the Phoenix Smart Permitting Forum met to discuss the content of a Universal Permit application that could be used by all jurisdictions. A draft of the content of the Application was developed and distributed at the June 11, 2001 meeting of the Phoenix Smart Permitting Forum for review and comment. A status report will be provided. Please see Attachment Two.

8. Legislative Issues

A review of legislative issues will be undertaken.

9. MAG Building Codes Committee Standards Notebook

At the May 16, 2001 meeting of the MAG Building Codes Committee meeting, action on the Table of Contents of the Draft MAG Building Codes Standards Notebook was deferred because of time constraints. MAG staff requested that members of the Committee review the Table of Contents of the Draft MAG Building Codes Standards Notebook and develop recommendations for what standards should be retained, deleted or added to the notebook. Copies of the notebook were distributed to members who did not already have a copy. At the June meeting a recommendation will be made on what to include in the notebook and subsequently a Working Group will assist in preparing standardized cover sheets to accompany each standard. Input on the contents of the notebook will be solicited from members of the MAG Building Codes Committee. Please see Attachment Three.

7. For information, discussion and possible action.

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9. For information, discussion and possible action.

10. Review of Interpretations

The final four interpretations developed by the Building Inspectors/Plans Examiners Forum will be distributed for your use. The interpretations are for Decorative Gas Appliances for Installation in Solid-Fuel Burning Appliances, Truss Identification, Occupancy Separation Walls Between R-3 and U-1 Occupancies and Side Railings at Roof Scuttle Openings.

11. Results of Residential Inspection Survey

One of the three items left on the Building Codes Committee's Outstanding Agenda Topics is a survey of Residential Inspection Services compiled by the Town of Paradise Valley. The Committee will review and discuss the results of the survey.

12. Plumbing Code Commission

A status report on the State Plumbing Commission will be given.

13. Updated MAG Building Codes Committee Membership

An updated membership roster for the MAG Building Codes Committee is transmitted to you. If there are any changes to the list, please notify Harry Wolfe at (602) 254-6300 or e-mail him at [hwolfe@mag.maricopa.gov](mailto:hwolfe@mag.maricopa.gov). Please see Attachment Four.

14. Topics for Future Agendas

Potential topics for the next meeting will be discussed. The next meeting of the MAG Building Codes Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, September 12, 2001 at 2:00 p.m. at the MAG Office.

15. Adjournment

10. For information and discussion.

11. For information and discussion.

12. For information.

13. For information and discussion.

14. For information and discussion.